

HOW VIRTUOUS GIRL IMMIGRANTS BECOME VICTIMS OF ORGANIZED VICE

The Vice Commission Reports Upon the Lack of Protection for These Innocent Girls—Two Recent Cases of Immigrant White Slavers in Chicago.

The daily newspapers have been printing stories recently about the disappearance of immigrant girls in Chicago, and the probable connection of these disappearances with the white slave traffic.

One story was about a Swedish girl who got lost in Chicago, was picked up by a negro and finally found in a negro house of ill fame.

Another was about a Finnish girl who disappeared, and whose body was finally found in the lake.

In discussing the source of supply to meet the constant demand of Vice for thousands of young girls, the Vice Commission refers to the manner in which girl immigrants are lured into the vice districts by men and women engaged in the Social Evil "business."

The Commission says the great majority of these immigrant girls were virtuous when they came to our country, and were ruined after they got here because there was not adequate protection for them on arrival.

Picture to yourself a sweet, pure, wholesome girl crossing the ocean to come to "the land of the free and the home of the brave"—her youthful imagination running riot in anticipation of the glorious land of freedom.

Then picture to yourself the rest of the story—crossing the country on a railroad train—coming into the great city of the west—the city of great buildings, grand boulevards, towering sky-scrapers and teeming millions of busy workers—and finally the arrival in the railroad station of overpowering dimensions.

Then think of being lured to a negro vice joint—or to ruin and finally death in the cold, cold lake.

If you want the dark side of the picture read the following from the report of the Chicago Vice Commission:

"INVESTIGATION OF THE IMMIGRANTS' PROTECTIVE LEAGUE OF CHICAGO ON THE RELATION OF IMMIGRANT WOMEN AND COLONIES OF FOREIGN LABORING MEN IN CONSTRUCTION CAMPS, LODGING HOUSES IN CITIES, AND ELSEWHERE.

"The investigation of the United States Immigration Commission into the relation of the immigrant women to the social evil showed that very few prostitutes are brought into the United States.

"THE GREAT MAJORITY OF YOUNG IMMIGRANT